

Upper Hills Cricket Club



Year Book 2007-2008

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Upper Hills Cricket Club 2007-2008 Season

President's Report

The 2007-08 season was another great success for the Upper Hills Cricket Club.

Upper Hills is very proud to have achieved yet another premiership this season!

Congratulations to the U16's – Premiers 4 years running! This makes a total of 5 premierships for the coach as well! As this is the last year this team will be playing in the juniors' comp. together, they will carry this record for a long time I'm sure as there has been no other team in our history with this success. This is an amazing effort from a very talented team that has had a core of players that have been together from their U10 years. I know this team has a very strong bond within their members which is very capably moulded together by their coach in a calm & confident manner.

Congratulations also to the U15 team for being runner-up in their final.

Of the seven competition teams entered, these two teams reached the semi-finals with both of them going on to contest the final. The club is very proud of such a great result.

All in all, the club fielded 13 junior teams this year. This was up from 11 teams in the previous season.

We attempted to form proper U8 teams this season also but this was not supported across the association clubs. The club agrees with the association that there is a place for such an age group in the junior competition, particularly for those players that wish to move on from Milo Kanga cricket more quickly.

The club again had good representation in the HK & HDCA representative teams. Congratulations to these players for making these squads – they should be proud of their ability & dedication:

U16 – Watson Shield	James Kerr, Adam Bric
U15 - Weblin Shield	Joshua Mann (Capt.)
U15 – IDCA	Ben Oakes , Jono Leonard, Jacob O'Grady
U14 – Moore Shield	Michael Fatkin, Scott Copperfield
U13 – IDCA	Nick Summerhays

Many thanks also to all the players who were new to the club and those who re-registered this season. Thank you for joining our club and I hope you all had a great time. Win or lose, having fun in cricket and making new friends is always the greatest reward. I hope you all return next season.

The annual club coaching day will be held this year before the season starts – look out for the date at registration days next season & see you all there!

Acknowledgments

Without the involvement and generous donation of time and effort by all the coaches and managers especially, and of other parents who help with umpiring and scoring, our club would not be as successful as it is. We do it all for our kids of course, but this doesn't mean that the efforts are not appreciated. A huge thanks to you all.

I would like to make a special mention of the coaches. We have several coaches that keep backing up year after year – Steve Robertson, Derek Bridgman, Anthony Eurell, David McVay, Craig Baglin, Greg Sutton, David Parslow, Graeme Henderson, Mark Laurie, George Said, and Adrian Wilson - that's a mighty effort.

A special mention must be made of Steve Robertson. He will finish coaching in the juniors now after an excellent job in developing this year's U16's right through from taking the reins when they were U10's. And what an incredible success record! The club is very appreciative of Steve for all the time he has given up for the club & his team.

We welcome & thank our new coaches – David Fergusson, Craig Lofts & also David Coulton who was the lead coach for the Milo Kanga program this season.

The parents who have rep. players also deserve a special mention – without their support in time & effort, the rep. players would not be rep. players!

A big thank you also to our Senior club committee. There is always plenty of support for the juniors' from them and the great club morale is engendered from the Seniors. Thanks in particular to Peter Wright, Peter McCartney, Dave Lea, Sean McGuinness, Richard Arnott, Aileen Bridgman, Bruce Fraser & Neil Bailey for their more direct involvements in the Juniors' in the areas of administration, coaching & player development, financial sponsorship, shirt sponsorship & shirt ordering & kanga support.

Owen Bridgman, Derek Bridgman, Lachlan Woods, Jan Govender, James Kerr, Dominic Hyam, Dave Donnison & Jim Welsh also deserve a special mention for their contributions to the Juniors'. This stems from the senior players support of the club coaching day & for gear supply etc. I would also like to thank Dane Jeffrey for a huge job in setting up the new look website & training a few of us on how to use it! The website looks so much more professional & appealing.

Thanks also to all the parents who supported our fund raising efforts this season. The raffle ticket competition raised \$2000.

Robert Gerometta
Juniors' President

Upper Hills – Clark U8 2007/08 Season Report

We had a lot of fun in our first year with a lot of enthusiasm from the players and supporters. As a group we learnt the value of support and backing up and as a result we often outscored seemingly better opponents. Congratulations on a great first year.

Daniel Baker. Runs: 147 Wickets: 4

Very early in the season Daniel displayed a natural ability to sweep any ball bowled down leg side to the boundary. This was only one of his many talents, a super quick bowler and a tenacious fielder who could and often did throw the stumps down from square of the wicket.

Marcus Croese. Runs: 99 Wickets: 4

The team's big improver for the year. Aside from hitting the boundary and taking several wickets in the later part of the season, Marcus's running between the wickets gained a high level of focus and excitement when he learnt just how important the quick single is to the team's total.

Hayden Fergusson. Runs: 157 Wickets: 8

With loads of enthusiasm applied to every aspect of the game, Hayden's stats revealed a consistently high average with both bat and ball. A great all rounder / team player who regularly hit consecutive boundaries when he came to the crease and the teams leading wicket taker.

Mark Godbee. Runs: 144 Wickets: 6

Keenest of the keen, Mark started the season ready to play cricket and set the pace for his team mates to follow. A great batting average, consistently taking wickets through out the year and the enjoyment of playing the game with his team mates were the key features of Marks season.

Sean Inwood. Runs: 122 Wickets: 4

With his unorthodox bowling style, persistence finally paid off with Sean taking several crucial wickets when we really needed them. A character on and off the field, we watch with interest as Sean refines his bowling style. It could become a real worry for batsman in future years.

Brett Murray. Runs: 86 Wickets: 7

Never one to give his wicket away cheaply Brett also had some real success with the ball achieving the teams best bowling average. A sharp fielder and a keen wicket keeper, Brett was a consistent contributor to the years performance.

William Pearce. Runs: 140 Wickets: 6

Each team needs someone with a vibrant personality to help the team focus on the task. William kept his team mates on their toes and with some excellent fast bowling he kept opposition batsman in their crease. A great team player with economic bowling and a consistent contribution with the bat. All this from the youngest member of the team by 12 months.

Thomas Ragell. Runs: 210 Wickets: 4

Exciting batting is all about hitting sixes and fours. With a batting average that eclipsed all others, Thomas had cheering from the sideline each time he took the crease. Quick reflexes in the field and a handy bowler, concentration and focus proved Thomas to be a great asset for the team.

**Upper Hills Cricket Club Under 8'S
CLARKE Batting**

**2007/2008 Season
Team**

Name	Balls Faced	Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Strike Rate
Thomas Ragell	205	6	210	29	35.00	102.44
Hayden Fergusson	212	13	157	23	12.08	74.06
Daniel Baker	174	17	147	19	8.65	84.48
Mark Godbee	184	7	144	18	20.57	78.26
William Pearce	176	12	140	21	11.67	79.55
Sean Inwood	192	12	122	17	10.17	63.54
Marcus Croese	166	8	99	15	12.38	59.64
Brett Murray	131	6	86	12	14.33	65.65

Bowling

Name	Balls Bowled	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Hayden Fergusson	192	0	8	179	22.4	2/6
Brett Murray	132	1	7	116	16.6	2/8
William Pearce	186	0	6	143	23.8	2/2
Mark Godbee	192	0	6	199	33.2	1/4
Daniel Baker	180	1	4	134	33.5	1/3
Marcus Croese	168	0	4	158	39.5	1/6
Sean Inwood	180	0	4	176	44.0	1/9
Thomas Ragell	210	1	4	194	48.5	2/2

Highest Batting Aggregate: *Thomas Ragell - 210*
Highest Batting Average: *Thomas Ragell - 35.00*
Most Wickets: *Hayden Fergusson - 8*
Best Bowling Average: *Brett Murray - 16.6*
Most Catches: *Did not record*
Best Fielder: *Daniel Baker*
Most Improved: *The entire team*

Season Report – Upper Hills Under 9 Gilchrist

This year saw many of our team emerge from the comfort of the Kanga cricket scene into the world of skinny 22 yard pitches and large boundaries. With only one member of the team having played in U9's previously we were initially up against it, but what we lacked in experience we certainly made up for in enthusiasm.

Initial defeats were soon distant memories when we had our first win in the 3rd match of the season. Difficulties in organising training times (and getting the lights to work!) hindered our off-field preparations, and numerous wash-outs meant that by Xmas we had not played any consistent cricket. However hours of backyard Xmas cricket must have done the trick as the boys started the new year with a resounding 10 wicket victory – our best of the season!

The development of boys' cricket this season has been fantastic, and to see their enthusiasm at the end of the year even stronger than the beginning is a great sign for next year. Below are a few highlights from each of our players for the year;

Aidan Quirk

As our only player having participated in U9's in the previous year, Aidan provided our team a level of much needed experience. Aidan's enthusiasm in the field and consistent bowling are his strengths. Aidan provided us with the highlight of our season when although being given out "run-out" in a narrow decision Aidan showed exceptional sportsmanship in congratulating the fielder on his fine run-out : Great Stuff Aidan!!!!

Jesse McNaughtan

If we had one, Jesse would undoubtedly receive our 'Allrounder of the Year' award. For his age, Jesse shows great hand eye co-ordination, has a silky smooth bowling action and can throw an outfield ball as far as any of the boys. Can't wait to see what Jesse produces next year.

Harry Gaughan

Although a late addition to our team, Harry slotted in without a hitch, bringing with him a cover drive the likes of which were rarely seen on the Under 9 pitches this year. No doubt continued practice in this area will see mountains of runs next year.

Adam Parslow

This season has definitely been one of great improvement for Adam. Initial matches proved a challenge adjusting to the longer pitches, however his commitment to training and never say die attitude have seen vast improvements in his performance. His batting has also improved having only being dismissed a few times this year – well done Adam. The challenge for next year will be continue the low dismissal rate whilst increasing the total number of runs scored.

Mitchell Mullins

Mitchell is the Mr Cricket of our team being. You name it Mitch will give it a go: bowling pace of the extra long run, tossing in the odd leg spin, or daringly attempting a reverse sweep of the faster bowlers! However Mitchell's highlight of the year was a classic outfield catch diving forward to a well struck pull shot – wow!!

Joshua Inwood

Josh also has improved significantly throughout the season. This has been particularly evident in his running between wickets and batting where he has posted a number of high scores towards the end of the season. Josh has also developed as a keeper taking a notable catch earning him a recent man of the match award.

Bailey DeVilliers

If there were medals handed out for covering the most ground in one match then it would have to go to Bailey. If he isn't taking all the runs on offer whilst batting, he somehow seems to cover about half of the outfield as well as backing up his own throws! Great effort this year Bailey.

Thomas Viles

Like Adam, Thomas has been one of our players who significantly improved over the season. This is particularly the case in his bowling where he is now consistently threatening the batting team with accurate bowling. Due to clashes with other sporting activities Thomas was unable to attend training, so just think what might happen next year.

James French

Unfortunate timing of washed out matches and bouts of illness forced James to miss more matches this year than he would otherwise have wanted. Despite this James showed great enthusiasm for the game taking a great catch in our big win of the season. James also had a knack of taking a wicket with his first ball of the day – duly justifying the coach's decision to bring him on at the right time!

Looking forward to a great year next year!

Dave Parslow – Coach (in training).

Parents' comment: None of the boys would have had half as much fun (and neither would the spectating parents) if Dave Parslow had not volunteered as coach/manager/director of cricket and then organised umpires/scorers/coaching throughout the season. Many thanks to him (and his assistant DJ De V) for their cheerful enthusiasm this season.)

Upper Hills Cricket Club

2007/2008 Season

Under 9 Lee Team

Batting						
Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Alexander George	16	11	176	21	16	
Tim DeLaHoyde	17	14	368	29	26.29	
Faisal Ebrahimi	17	11	196	24	17.82	
Luke Jensen	8	6	82	22	10.33	
Daniel Johnson	16	11	244	35	22.18	
Jackson Laurie	18	13	340	36	26.15	
Max Laurie	20	6	108	20	10.80	
Ethan Burt	16	11	129	17	11.73	
Jamie Shaw	6	4	42	13	10.5	

Bowling						
Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Alexander George	33		7	151	21.57	2/5
Tim DeLaHoyde	39	3	26	119	4.58	3/1
Faisal Ebrahimi	36		11	132	12	3/3
Luke Jensen	19		3	117	39	2/11
Daniel Johnson	35		6	126	21	1/2
Jackson Laurie	37	1	10	134	13.4	2/4
Max Laurie	27		6	141	23.5	3/12
Ethan Burt	34		5	182	36.4	1/2
Jamie Shaw	10		5	37	7.4	2/4

Highest Batting Aggregate:	Tim DeLaHoyde
Highest Batting Average:	Tim DeLaHoyde
Most Wickets:	Tim DeLaHoyde
Best Bowling Average:	Tim DeLaHoyde
Most Catches :	
Best Fielder:	
Most Improved :	

U9 McGrath 2007-2008

The season began with a group of excited boys who did not all know each other but who formed friendships throughout the season and worked well together to field a competitive team each week that was wonderful to watch.

The boys were always keen to train and worked hard at training, both in the nets and out on the field (even when it rained), and training paid off with some great match play throughout the season, showing off some of the ball work and fielding practiced.

The team consisted of mostly first season cricketers and they have all grown in confidence and ability. They have celebrated success and encouraged each other when they faced stiff opposition and remained great young sportsmen at all times.

Many thanks to Craig Lofts who volunteered to coach and always remained positive with the boys – your patience and dedication is much appreciated and will ready the boys for future cricket!

Thanks to all the parents for your support of the U9 McGrath team – for scoring and umpiring each week and for assisting with training.....a great job by everyone.....bring on cricket in 2008/2009 so we can all do it together again!!!!

DOUGLAS BARNES

Highest Batting Score: 21
Wickets taken 07/08: 4
Best bowling: 1/3

A strong first season from Doug who shows great potential on the field. Doug had some high scoring batting and was a consistent bowler. Douglas was reliable fielder with some fantastic throws back to the stumps – a great season!

JORDAN BRAGG

Highest Batting Score: 22
Wickets taken 07/08: 9
Best bowling: 2/11

Jordan is a consistent cricketer who reads the play well and is passionate about the game. Jordan is one of our highest wicket takers and also one of our highest run scorers – a great all rounder and a great season!

HARRISON FLELLO

Highest Batting Score: 17
Wickets taken 07/08: 4
Best bowling: 3/9

Harrison is a first season cricketer who has grown in confidence over the season and shown improvement in batting, bowling and fielding. Harry blocks the ball well and has taken 3 fantastic catches this season – a great season!

MATT KINGHAM

Highest Batting Score: 17
Wickets taken 07/08: 2
Best bowling: 2/9

Matt was our valuable wicket keeper and protected our wickets consistently for most of the season. Matt took some great catches and stopped many runs. Matt is also a solid batter and bowler when the helmet is off – a great season!

JACKSON LOFTS

Highest Batting Score: 22
Wickets taken 07/08: 9
Best bowling: 2/12

A fabulous first season for Jackson. A strong batter who had some big run scores and was our top scoring batsman on 175 runs this season. Jackson is a consistent bowler with 9 wickets and also some great catches – a fantastic all rounder.

ANDREW McLAREN

Highest Batting Score: 19
Wickets taken 07/08: 1
Best bowling: 1/6

Andrew is one of our most improved players and also our most vocal and supportive! Younger than his teammates Andrew has had a strong first season – a fantastic 6 in our final game and also a wicket to be proud of. A great season!

Continued over:

JAMES McLAREN

Highest Batting Score: 30

Wickets taken 07/08: 6

Best bowling: 1/11

A consistent first season for James who has been another of our all rounders. James had our highest batting score in our final game with 30 n.o. James is a strong batter, hitting fours and sixes often, and also took some great wickets when bowling – well done!

JOE RYLANCE

Highest Batting Score: 15

Wickets taken 07/08: 11

Best bowling: 2/3

Joe is one of our most consistent players and our highest wicket taker – 11 for the season. Joe always watches the play well and showed some terrific fielding. Joe is a solid batter who blocks the ball well – another great all rounder!

Season Report – Upper Hills U10 Lee

The team performed well all season and was rewarded with seven wins out of ten games. All players worked hard on improving technique and playing as a team. Everyone is now prepared for the introduction of the hard ball next season.

Alexander Perry

Alexander continued throughout this season with sturdy batting while developing his stroke play. Alexander's solid defense will hold him in good stead for next season with the hard ball. With a mixture of spin and some straight bowling, Alexander often made the batsmen take notice and be watchful. Alexander often assisted with wicket keeping duties and is becoming a versatile all-rounder.

Charles Kekovich

Charles is a big hitting batsmen and aggressive runner between the wickets. With work on a good straight defense Charles will enjoy batting longer next season. Charles is an adamant batsman and doesn't look forward to rolling the arm over but by the end of the season Charles had improved enough to give two straight overs each game. Charles is a component catcher in the field and was reliable in the deep.

Dhivya Kalyanakumar

Dhivya was consistently the straightest bowler in the team and with improving length Dhivya had good results each week. Dhivya's batting was solid, reliable and she valued her wicket every time she batted. Dhivya's fielding was good throughout the season as Dhivya could move to the ball, catch and throw well. Next season with the hard ball will suit Dhivya's bowling.

Dylan Wilson

Dylan was the most consistent batsmen all season and was the team's highest run scorer with 215 runs. Dylan's improving technique in both defense and attacking shots this season lead to his good results batting in the top order. Dylan's straight pace bowling was economical. Dylan worked hard on his wicket keeping and was usually selected to keep to the faster bowlers in the team. Dylan is a good all round fielder and finished the season with the most votes for "Player's Player".

Harrison Vardanega

Harrison regularly started his batting innings with aggressive hitting. Harrison started to work on developing a good straight defense and continued focus will see him well off for next season with the hard ball. Harrison's bowling was deceptive for those batsmen trying to pick his variations. With work on consistent line and length Harrison will continue to improve and take more wickets. Harrison became more confident with his catching and throwing as the season progressed.

Josh Hunter

This was Josh's first season of cricket and he was full of enthusiasm each game. Josh worked hard on his batting and by the end of the season he had developed a good defensive game. Next season Josh's goal will be to start on stroke play. Josh's bowling started with concentration and determination, and by the last game he was able to maintain good line and length each over. Josh was keen in the field and was the teams "Most Improved Player" for the season.

Lucas Pearce

Lucas is the team's gun fast bowler and regularly terrorized opposition batsmen. With his good line and length Lucas took wickets regularly, bagging 10 for the season. Lucas started to develop a swinging delivery that will be awesome with the hard ball next season. Lucas started the season as a big hitter though developed into a good shot maker with the beginnings of the solid forward defense necessary for a top order batsman. Lucas scored over 100 runs and took six catches for the season.

Oliver Urwin

Oliver has the best defensive technique in the team and recorded the highest individual score of 52no. Oliver is a good batsman and he will be well set for the hard ball next year. Oliver scored 171 runs for the season. Oliver's bowling was all line and length and that led to him becoming the highest wicket taker for the team with 15 wickets, of which 12 were bowled. Oliver's catching and throwing while fielding was always reliable. Oliver is a genuine all-rounder who can open the innings.

Patrick Moylan

Patrick is a thoughtful and patient middle order batsman and often waited for the right ball to hit to the boundary. Patrick scored over 100 runs for the season. Patrick had a good line when he bowled and he worked hard on his length, which led to him being crowned as the team's "Most Accurate Bowler". Patrick often assisted with wicket keeping duties and had reliable hands in the field.

Samuel Dong

Sam's batting was improving all season. Sam has a good eye and manages to strike the ball well, and with continued work on developing a strong forward defense Sam's batting will be of great value next season against the hard ball. Sam bowled well all season without luck. Sam was awarded with the team's "Best Run Out" this season with a direct hit from side on over 25 metres away.

Samuel Mills

Sam was part of the team's bowling spearhead. Sam worked on his action and is now producing out swingers at pace to right handed batsmen. Sam got 10 wickets for the season and was a very economical bowler. Sam was good in the field and regularly had safe hands. By the end of the season Sam's batting had improved tremendously. Sam changed from wanting to hit every ball for four to waiting and concentrating on his forward defense.

Thomas Summerhays

Thomas is a hard hitting left hander who continued to work on his defense and was rewarded by scoring over 150 runs for the season. Thomas enjoys batting and is developing into a good middle order batsman. Thomas bowled with pace and worked on a leg spin variation during the season. Thomas was awarded the "Classic Catch of the Season" with a fast low single handed catch at mid wicket. Thomas is a good all round fielder.

Upper Hills Cricket Club

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Under 10 Lee

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Dylan Wilson	10	7	215	38	71.7	5
Oliver Urwin	10	6	171	52	34.2	1
Thomas Summerhays	9	4	156	51	31.2	4
Lucas Pearce	7	6	133	30	133.0	6
Patrick Moylan	6	3	115	50	38.3	2
Charles Kekovich	7	3	77	30	19.3	2
Samuel Mills	8	3	71	20	8.9	5
Samuel Dong	9	2	69	21	7.7	0
Alexander Perry	9	6	65	22	13.0	1
Dhivya Kalyanakumar	7	4	55	17	13.8	0
Harrison Vardanega	7	2	52	17	10.4	0
Josh Hunter	9	5	40	12	5.7	0

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Oliver Urwin	40	2	15	179	11.9	4/10
Samuel Mills	31	0	10	124	12.4	3/18
Lucas Pearce	36	3	10	166	16.6	3/10
Thomas Summerhays	34	1	6	148	24.7	2/22
Dhivya Kalyanakumar	29	1	4	154	38.5	2/3
Patrick Moylan	25	2	4	139	27.8	1/3
Dylan Wilson	33	0	4	149	37.3	2/27
Alexander Perry	35	0	3	219	73.0	1/15
Charles Kekovich	18	0	2	123	61.5	1/10
Harrison Vardanega	19	0	1	119	119	1/12
Josh Hunter	22	0	1	134	134	1/10
Samuel Dong	27	0	0	130		0/7

Highest Batting Aggregate:	Dylan Wilson 215 runs
Highest Batting Average:	Lucas Pearce 133.0
Most Wickets:	Oliver Urwin 15 wkts
Best Bowling Average:	Oliver Urwin 11.9
Most Catches:	Lucas Pearce 6
Best Fielder:	Dylan Wilson
Most Improved:	Josh Hunter

U10 McGrath Season Report 2007-08

Daniel Berry

Daniel was a rock with the bat this year. A very solid performance with the bat, as his batting average suggests. Daniel also contributed with the ball and in the field....sometimes made it look easy!!

Nick Dowdswell

Nick had his debut year with the McGrath's and he improved each week. "Enthusiastic" is the first word that comes to mind in describing Nick's first season. Nick is always willing to improve and worked hard at training. He also worked well with the team.

Connor Holmes

Connor has had a great season particularly with the ball. He has topped the bowling average with 6.4 and Most Wickets taken with 15. Connor always looked dangerous.....Brett Lee of the future!
I'm sure our boys are happy they don't have to face Connor.

Joshua Irving

I was very happy with Josh's willing to work on his game. His bowling has improved and this has come with his determination to challenge himself with the ball in his hand. Josh has unveiled some new tricks with the ball which had me very impressed.

Connor McPhie

Connor is one of the big improvers from last year. He has mastered his bowling style and to his credit worked hard on his style all season. Connor was much more confident with the bat and his running between wickets kept the fielding team on their toes.

Mitchell Pearl

Mitchell has had a great year, a great all round performance!
Mitchell is not one to talk it up....it is a case of "give me the ball, I know what to do". Mitchell always looked like he was focused and enjoyed every bit of it.

Mitchel Pennel

Mitchel always gives 100%. Once again Mitchel was solid with the bat and his determination is second to none. Mitchel was also very busy in the field with some great returns from the boundary.

Will Said

Will had a very good all round performance with bat and ball. Will finished as the second highest run scorer. His determination in the field was also 100%. Will is a great team player and always encouraged his team mates with back slapping and hand clapping.

James Salvadore

What a fantastic debut season for James!! Highest Batting Aggregate, Best Bowling Figures and a Hatrick in your debut year is something to be proud of. James' enthusiasm on the field really rubbed off on the boys. James was also very good in the field with some fantastic direct hits which led to run outs.

Kyle Serret

Kyle also had his debut season for the McGrath's. There were some fantastic moments for Kyle with some great catches out in the field. Kyle worked hard on his bowling and bating and improved as the season went on.

Mitchell Vinton

Mitchell had a very good season as the second highest wicket taker with 10 wickets. Mitchell also ended the season as the third highest run scorer for the season. Mitchell always kept the umpires on there toes with some enthusiastic appealing.

Upper Hills Cricket Club

2007/2008 Season

Under 10 McGrath

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg
Daniel Berry	9	8	128	36	128
Nick Dowdswell	7	5	68	22	34
Connor Holmes	10	5	140	45	28
Joshua Irving	8	2	62	17	10.35
Connor McPhie	9	3	122	23	20.35
Mitchell Perl	6	2	108	32	27
Mitchel Pennel	10	5	94	20	18.8
William Said	9	5	155	30	38.75
James Salvatore	9	5	227	51	56.75
Kyle Serret	7	1	45	15	7.5
Mitchell Vinton	9	5	151	43	37.75

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg
Connor Holmes	38	3	15	96	6.4
Connor McPhie	35	2	6	127	21.1
Daniel Berry	35	4	6	133	22.1
Joshua Irving	31		2	167	83.5
Kyle Serret	21	1	5	56	11.2
Mitchel Pennel	38	1	4	166	41.5
Mitchell Perl	31.4	1	8	101	12.6
Mitchell Vinton	38	4	10	158	15.8
Nick Dowdswell	33	1	5	169	33.8
James Salvatore	39	8	7	173	24.7
William Said	26	3	5	89	17.8

Highest Batting Aggregate: **James Salvatore 227 runs**
 Highest Batting Average: **Daniel Berry 128**
 Most Wickets: **Connor Holmes 15 wkts**
 Best Bowling Average: **Connor Holmes 6.4**
 Best Bowling Figures: **James Salvatore 5/3**
 Special Mention: **James Salvatore (Hatrick)**

Under 11 Lee Team Report

2007 – 08

A few near wins, some great individual highlights & rain are the 3 areas which stick out in my memory of this season of cricket.

This was the first season of playing with the hard ball for the lads. They adapted to bowling with the hard ball quite quickly & of course, improved in their line & length throughout the season. Fielding was generally very good & became very sharp towards the season's end. Catching the hard ball was easy for some & perhaps a little intimidating for others. Batting was the tricky skill! That balance between using the defensive straight bat to a good ball & flogging the loose ball takes focus & patience – 11 year olds aren't usually as adept in this area but that's what makes cricket an absorbing challenge. When that skill comes, it is most rewarding! In the meantime, having fun in the game & at practice keeps the appetite going.

We came very close to knocking off the eventual finalists in our very first match & finished the season only 1 wicket / 4 runs shy of beating a very competent 5th placed side that were in contention for 4th place before they played us.

In between those 2 very exciting games, the boys learnt that it takes continued concentration & discipline to be competitive in cricket. Some dry weather would have been nice also so we could actually play, or even play in decent conditions so that cricket could be played properly. There were so many games where the ball was a heavy piece of slop! In hindsight, the coming of El Nina had to happen sooner or later. That's what you put up with in our great Aussie outdoor summer game!

All in all, I believe the U11 Lee team enjoyed their season of cricket because each of them always looked forward to their individual contribution in bowling & batting. Over most matches, each of the boys had a chance to do this which is what they really want to do when they play at this age.

I would like to thank particularly John Allen & Dom Surace for coaching with me at many of the training sessions as well as running them when I couldn't attend. Coaching cricket is a nightmare on your own as there are so many one-on-one skills to be learnt. Also, 3 heads are always better than one when it comes to picking up details to be corrected in skill areas as well as thinking of new ideas for teaching.

I would also like to thank Nicki for taking on the scoring duties so expertly. Tony Lee & Dom again assisted with umpiring & also Phil Harvey & Greg McLaren helped at training when I was travelling for work – many thanks also.

Thanks also to all the parents for supporting me all season.

Robert Gerometta
Coach

Player Profiles

Beau Allen

Beau had a great year as a bowler with one of the best averages in the team. You don't need to be a quick bowler to take wickets at this age as Beau's stats show. Beau's flighted balls mixed with a few quicker ones bamboozled the batsmen. Beau still has one of the straightest bats in the team which will hold him in good stead as he improves his footwork & develops physically in future seasons.

Edward Barnes

Ed was a new recruit to the team & to cricket. Ed improved with every game in his bowling. Ed learnt that slowing down his action was essential when his rhythm deserted him. Ed is a naturally tall & strong lad so he will develop into a fast bowler as he continues in cricket. I was always impressed that Ed had the confidence to put his hand up for another bowl when it was offered.

Nicholas Carter

Nick's stats tell the story of his season – best bowler & 2nd best batter. Nick's bowling was of course a highlight. Some days he would bowl with such pace & swing; it was amazing how the batsmen survived. Nick relished the role of opening bowler & almost always, got an early break through. His catching was at times sensational & fielding excellent. Batting was a struggle at times but Nick really tried hard to concentrate on technique & timing in the 2nd half of the season & most of his runs came then.

Ben Gerometta

Ben's bowling & fielding was great to watch this season. Although wickets didn't come easily, he bowled many tight spells when there was more pressure bowling as opener with Nick or as first change bowler. Ben's greatest strength is still his enthusiasm, sharpness & speed in the field. He could be relied upon to cut off many boundaries & take the catches. He led the team well as captain. His last knock with the bat should give him confidence for next season that he can occupy the crease with positive results.

Josh Hamilton

Josh was brand new to cricket this season. Josh's improvement in his bowling towards the latter part of the season was nothing short of spectacular. A highlight was a clean bowl of one of Kissing Points' best batsmen – I was umpiring that day & Josh's approach angle & consistency was troubling that batsman for Josh's whole spell until he finally conquered him. Josh had practiced all summer holidays & it showed on the pitch. Josh was also hitting the ball much more sweetly at seasons end – well done.

Ethan Harvey

Ethan's determination & intensity translated into some superb bowling performances this season. He developed into our 2nd strike bowler which earned him spells as opening bowler in the 2nd half of the season. He bowled with genuine pace & became more & more accurate throughout the season. I was also so pleased for Ethan when he knocked around the ball with power & confidence for an unbeaten 20 in one of his last innings for the season. He overcame his frustration with batting in that knock & it should give him the confidence to look forward to next season.

Jarred Lee

Jarred's aggressive batting was always very exciting to watch. This is a quality that I hope Jarred will never lose while he develops the judgement to play the straight ball at his stumps with the correct straight bat shot – whether that is a defensive block or a full blooded drive. A big highlight was the first game of the season where Jarred opened the batting against what we know now was the most fearsome & fastest bowler in the competition (WPH Green) & hit him all over the park with some of the best cuts & pulls seen all season. Jarred likes the fast bowlers because he has no fear & can use their pace against them. Jarred's "arm action" bowling also developed well & he is also a sharp wicket keeper.

Ryan Lee

Ryan again performed well as a batsman. A highlight was when he held us together under great pressure in one game against WPH Red when the whole top order collapsed. He showed great patience & technique to score a solid 21. He can hit the ball hard with timing. Ryan is capable of this in every innings. Ryan's bowling became very accurate & with good length at the end of the season – this is when he took all his wickets.

Matthew McLaren

All in all, Matthew is a solid all round cricketer who uses his feet when batting, runs sharply between the wickets, & wicket keeps very tidily behind the stumps. His bowling is accurate medium pace & he fields very well also. Matthew became a very technically correct batsman by seasons end. His bowling could always be relied to be tight & invariably produce snicks into the slip areas. I believe Matt performed the best out of our 4 captains in this role because he has the vision for what the team needs rather than getting caught up in his own contribution.

Greg Quirk

Greg hit a number of long innings at the crease. He has the ability to be patient as a batsman which is very admirable at this age. He also volunteered to be the opening batsman or when asked, never refused. This showed his courage. Greg's catching this year was also amazing. Although he did not always look like he was poised in the field, he never failed to catch the absolute screamer.

Jake White

Jake was the third of our new players this year. Jake's unselfish attitude was demonstrated when he was asked to be in the Lee team rather than the McGrath team (where his mates were) because they were too full. This attitude came through all year & with it a willingness to learn & a quiet enthusiasm for the game. Jake developed a flighted bowling action which was very difficult to hit away. Jake's batting also improved as the season went on. He is unusually more competent on his off side rather than his leg side – an attribute which will stand him in good stead as a batsman. He already cuts the ball well as a batsman.

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Under 11 Lee

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Jarred Lee	10	2	113	40	14.13	5
Nicholas Carter	10	2	92	16	11.50	7
Ryan Lee	8	0	63	27	7.88	2
Ethan Harvey	9	1	41	20	5.13	5
Greg Quirk	11	4	37	23	5.29	3
Matthew McLaren	8	2	26	10	4.33	1
Ben Gerometta	9	1	22	10	2.75	
Beau Allen	11	2	17	9	1.89	1
Jake White	9	2	15	10	2.14	
Edward Barnes	9	1	7	4	0.88	
Joshua Hamilton	7	1	6	3	1.00	

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Nicholas Carter	55.0	8	15	135	9.0	4/4
Beau Allen	33.0	2	8	91	11.4	3/9
Ethan Harvey	54.0	4	8	155	19.4	3/10
Greg Quirk	33.0		6	117	19.5	2/10
Matthew McLaren	34.0	3	5	91	18.2	2/15
Jarred Lee	32.0	3	4	117	29.2	2/14
Ben Gerometta	49.0	6	4	140	35.0	1/3
Ryan Lee	31.0		3	100	33.3	1/3
Jake White	35.0	3	3	106	35.3	1/10
Edward Barnes	25.0	1	3	111	37.0	1/7
Joshua Hamilton	27.0		3	116	38.6	1/6

Highest Batting Aggregate: Jarred Lee (113)
 Highest Batting Average: Jarred Lee (14.1)
 Most Wickets: Nicholas Carter (15)
 Best Bowling Average: Nicholas Carter (9.0)
 Most Catches : Nicholas Carter (7)
 Best Fielder: Ben Gerometta
 Most Improved : Joshua Hamilton

Upper Hills U11 McGrath – 2007 / 08 Season Report

This was a good season from the viewpoint that the team played well in every match and missed out by only 2 points on making the semi-finals. It was also a frustrating season due to the number of weeks lost as a result of rain. The abandoned games plus the team having a bye meant we missed a lot of cricket and consequently the chance to improve our position on the table. The team consisted of all 11 boys from the U10 McGrath side plus one new starter, being Damien Jakimovski. The year in review:

Due to rain in week 1 the first game of the year was a one day match. Unfortunately we only had half a side due to some conflicting commitments and despite a spirited effort the team lost the game by 12 runs. After that the team went on a 4 game winning streak, including 2 wins which were the highlights of the season. In one of those wins the team defeated Warrawee Green who batted first and scored 201. In a fantastic team performance we made 233 in reply. Warrawee Green narrowly lost the grand final and this was their only loss in the regular season. In the following match we were dismissed for 66 in 39 overs on a very slow and heavy outfield. The boys then bowled an impeccable line and length and fielded enthusiastically to restrict the opposition to 64 runs from 50 overs.

I was very proud of the way the boys conducted themselves both on and off the field during our games. Overall the boys won 6 games and had 2 narrow losses, which was a great effort. In a 17 team competition with at least a dozen really strong teams, the boys can be proud of their efforts. At the start of the season I outlined to the team that making the semi's would be great - but more important than this is enjoying the game, playing it in the right spirit, improving cricket skills and striking a balance between ensuring every player gets opportunities and being competitive in games. I believe we achieved this.

The Team

Arran Bannatyne – Arran is a tall boy and gets steep bounce which troubled a lot of opposition batsmen. He was the king of just beating the edge of the bat without getting a snick. Arran is a keen batsman who normally scores his runs quickly and he has the capacity for some big hitting if required. Highly motivated in the field, he leads the team in all appeals for LBW, even when fielding at fine leg or cover. Well done Arran on a good season.

Adam Berry - Adam is a very good cricketer and also a fine soccer player. Soccer representative commitments meant Adam missed some games but notwithstanding this, Adam lead the bowling averages for the team with his combination of pace and spin. This was especially meritorious considering Adam is also our first choice wicket keeper. Adam had limited opportunities with the bat and his figures this year with the bat don't reflect his abilities. Well done Adam.

Aidan Coorey – Aidan tends to get a little nervous waiting around to bat and his best performances with the bat were whilst opening. Aidan achieved the highest bowling aggregate and showed the boys what can be done by putting the ball in the right areas and not trying to bowl too fast. Well done Aidan on a good all round season.

Lachlan Inwood - Lachlan is a powerful striker of the ball and can take the opposition apart with some rapid scoring. Lachlan scored the only half century of the season in our mammoth run chase against Warrawee Green. Lachlan is also our fastest bowler and he had some excellent bowling spells throughout the year, often bowling without luck. Whilst fielding, Lachlan is always looking for run outs with his flat throws from then outfield. An excellent all round season Lachlan.

Damian Jakimovski – This was Damian's first year of cricket however from the first training session I could see he was a good acquisition for the team. Damian generally bowled a good line and length and when he was available from rep soccer commitments was one of our nominated opening bowlers. Damian is also an aggressive batsman and fine fieldsman. Thanks Damian – great first season.

Ryan Jamie – Ryan's bowling improved tremendously this year. Ryan worked hard in the off season with some extra coaching for his bowling and he was rewarded with a couple of 2 wicket hauls and some nice spells of bowling. Ryan gives the ball a lot of air and this proved awkward for a lot of batsman. Ryan is an enthusiastic batsman and he is keen to work on this side of his game next year. Great effort Ryan and well played.

Caelen Langan – Caelen's representative soccer commitments also affected his availability for some games. Caelen is a fine bowler and is normally one of our opening bowlers. In one of the quirks that can happen in cricket, Caelen never took a wicket in the season, which in no way reflects his abilities. In 2006 / 2007 he was comfortably our leading wicket taker. Caelen made the most of some limited opportunities with the bat and made some nice contributions at the end of the innings. Well done Caelen.

Jay Loughton – Jay had a solid season all round season with some nice contributions with bat and ball. However it was Jay's fielding that really stood out. Jay paced the team in catches, all in the outfield and several of his catches were great diving efforts. He also completed a number of run outs with super direct hit throws. In some games, we had as many run outs as wickets taken by the bowlers and Jay was a major factor for us in the field. Great effort Jay.

Luke Mace - Luke was our reluctant opener on a few occasions; however he needn't have worried as he did well and has a really solid defence. Luke cut loose for 41 runs in our big run chase against Warrawee and chipped in with some key wickets throughout the season too. Nice work Luke – good season.

Matthew McVay – Matt had a good season with the bat and topped the batting aggregate and average. Matt displayed a good temperament in many of his innings and top scored in 4 of our games including 2 where he had to grind out innings of 16 and 17 in low scoring matches. Matt is a dependable fieldsman and tight and accurate bowler. Great season Matt – keep it up.

Bradley Mitchell - Brad had one of those seasons where his stats at the end of the year didn't reflect his ability as a cricketer or his contribution to the team. Brad is a capable batsman who can attack and defend. Brad is also a solid bowler whose opportunities were limited by spending a lot of time behind the stumps as our wicket keeper, where he did a stellar job. In the outfield Brad has one of the safest pair of hands in the side but catches didn't follow him this year. I consider Brad to be a real team player – great job Brad.

Zac Speth – Zac is a fine all round cricketer. With the bat he often seemed on the cusp of breaking loose, only to be run out or get a top delivery that would remove most. Notwithstanding this Zac made some nice contributions with the bat and again proved to be a very tight bowler and dependable fieldsman. Nice season Zac – well done.

I had a lot of support on game day. Thanks to Jeff Laughton for carrying out a lot of the umpiring duties and to David Bannatyne and David Mace who shared a majority of the scoring duties. Barry Mitchell and Steve Berry also assisted with umpiring and scoring. Also thanks to:

- All the parents, other relatives and friends who supported the team throughout the season
- Upper hills Cricket Club Junior Committee for providing the boys with an opportunity to play for a well run local club.

I enjoyed the coaching this year and hope to stay involved with the side as they develop as cricketers.

David McVay

Coach

Upper Hills Cricket Club

2007/2008 Season

Under 11 McGrath

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Matthew McVay	9	3	153	42*	25.50	3
Lachlan Inwood	9	3	145	51	24.17	3
Luke Mace	9	3	89	41	14.83	1
Zac Speth	8	2	82	46*	13.67	1
Jay Laughton	8	1	77	20	11.00	5
Arran Bannatyne	9	1	70	25	8.75	3
Caelan Langan	7	5	37	16*	18.50	-
Damian Jakimovski	7	3	36	10	9.00	-
Aidan Coorey	6	2	30	12	7.50	1
Bradley Mitchell	7	3	29	10*	7.25	1
Adam Berry	7	2	29	12	5.80	4
Ryan Jamie	8	4	6	3	1.50	-

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Aidan Coorey	25		7	75	10.71	2-5
Matthew McVay	33		6	66	11.00	2-4
Lachlan Inwood	36		6	82	13.67	2-11
Adam Berry	20		5	31	6.20	3-7
Jay Laughton	32		5	74	14.80	2-8
Zac Speth	26		4	46	11.50	2-6
Damian Jakimovski	23		4	55	13.75	2-6
Ryan Jamie	26		4	91	22.75	2-11
Luke Mace	22		3	48	16.00	2-5
Bradley Mitchell	20		1	60	60.00	1-18
Arran Bannatyne	27		1	65	65.00	1-6
Caelan Langan	23		0	51		0-0(3)

Highest Batting Aggregate: Matthew McVay (153)
 Highest Batting Average: Lachlan Inwood (24.2)
 Most Wickets: Aidan Coorey (7)
 Best Bowling Average: Adam Berry (6.2)
 Most Catches: Jay Laughton (5)
 Best Fielder: Bradley Mitchell
 Most Improved: Ryan Jamie

Upper Hills

Under 12 Lee Team Report

2007 / 08 was a highly successful season for the team.

This season saw a number of boys entering their second season of cricket and two or three starting their careers. As it turned out this inexperience proved costly early in the season losing some matches we probably should have won.

Whilst we could compete for 75% of the match unfortunately the final 25% proved elusive. But with such inexperience this was to be expected.

For me however this was where the success was exhibited. We have gone from a team who struggled to dismiss opposition teams and who spent the first year doing well to bat the allotted overs to a team consistently dismissing teams inside the fifty overs in the 100 -150 range. The next step is to improve our batting to a stage where we can set and chase targets.

I would also like to congratulate the players on the excellent team atmosphere that existed in the team. An encouraging and supportive group of boys who were always willing to assist their fellow team members were a credit to themselves, the club and their parents.

A thankyou also goes to all those parents who supported the team on a Saturday morning and a very special thankyou goes to those parents who assisted at training or by umpiring, scoring, setting up the field, etc on a Saturday.

Finally I would like to add what a pleasure it has been being involved with the boys this past season and look forward to assisting in their development in the coming seasons.

Graeme Henderson
Coach

Player Profiles

Bill Barnes: Bill continued to develop his batting, bowling and fielding throughout the season. His bowling proved deceptive at times with Bill often creating the vital break through. Bill took several good catches in the covers and proved a reliable fieldsman. Bill's batting is still a touch 'rough' and we need to work on his defensive technique.

Jack Brennan: In his second season Jack continues to develop his medium pace bowling. Jack can often bowl with good accuracy and now needs to work hard on his concentration and rhythm to improve his consistency. Jack worked hard on his batting and fielding and his understanding of the game is improving every game.

Tom Cornock: A first year cricketer Tom was full of surprises. When on target Tom could bowl with the best of them. As a fielder he continually showed amazing reflexes. He relies very heavily on his eye with the bat and whilst he can strike the ball solidly we need to work on the technique more. A very good first year Tom.

Kieren Henderson: A stand-out performer with the bat this year claiming both the batting aggregate and average awards. As an opener Kieren mixed a sound defence with aggressive shot making to continue to build on improvements in technique in the last two years. Kieren also exhibited continued improvement with his bowling claiming the Most Wickets award. Additional success will be dependent upon some minor technical flaws in his action being rectified.

Lachlan Holmes: Lachlan's cricket continues to improve with every game, whether it be with the bat, ball or in the field. Unlucky early in the season with a couple of decisions he straightened his batting out to finish off the season with a hard-fought 50. Lachlan's bowling is a solid medium pace and with a bit more work on technique should develop into a consistent 'movement' bowler. Lachlan is also a stand-out with the 'gloves'.

Paul Muston: New to the team this year and with not having played before was a bit of an unknown quantity. Paul quickly developed into one of our opening bowlers with good pace and accuracy and finished the season claiming the bowling average award. Paul's batting relies heavily on his eye and whilst he can strike the ball solidly we need to continue to work on technique.

Liam Peters: One of the true all-rounders. Sound batsman and bowler, superb fieldsman and handy wicket-keeper. With his batting Liam plays well off both the back and front foot and keeps the score turning over at a good rate. Can bowl both medium pace and off-spin successfully with a suggestion of more flight on the off-spin one area of potential improvement.

Rhys Peters: Rhys' second season got off to a slow start due to a leg injury which hampered his input. Developed his leg-spin bowling throughout the year which troubled most players. We just need to ensure that his desire to take a wicket every ball does not cost him his accuracy. His batting continues to develop however, he sometimes concedes easy 'wickets'. Rhys also has the ability to achieve the 'impossible' in the field.

Tim Rosic: A huge improver Tim has come an amazing way since joining the team last year. From being a player that looked out of sorts when he first joined us to one that opened the innings successfully throughout the year. Whilst his batting may not have returned 'big numbers' Tim assisted the team to get off to several strong starts. His bowling is very much a matter of confidence which I would suggest Tim should have. A solid bowler who is improving every game he plays.

Blake Sillery: This was Blake's first year of cricket and he showed a great attitude to developing his fundamental skills. Blake's batting is solid and his technique continues to develop. His medium-pace bowling tends to be a 'touch' short however, as he develops his action should allow some reasonable movement. Blake's fielding is another bonus for the team with his enthusiasm the key.

Brad Thomas: Unfortunately Brad was only with us for the pre-Christmas part of the season but through that period continued to develop his fast bowling. Whilst probably frustrated with a lack of return this was more to do with batsmen not being able to get near the ball than the bowling itself. Brad's batting continues to develop however he needs to ensure that his bowling focus does not diminish his good work with the bat.

Kyle Zlatar: In his second season Kyle continued to make huge strides in developing his batting and bowling. A strong front foot defensive player who was difficult to shift once he had settled in Kyle now needs to develop the ability to turn over the strike and be selective in his shot making. His bowling has also improved greatly in accuracy over the course of the season. Well done Kyle.

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Under 12 Lee

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Kieren Henderson	8	4	202	51	50.50	2
Liam Peters	7	3	163	50	40.75	1
Lachlan Holmes	7	1	126	50	21.00	6
Kyle Zlatar	7	1	51	22	8.50	1
Jack Brennan	6	1	41	25	8.20	1
Tim Rosic	8	1	24	9	3.43	1
Brad Thomas	5	1	17	12	4.25	1
Paul Muston	6	3	13	12	4.33	2
Tom Cornock	6	1	12	11	2.40	6
Rhys Peters	6	2	8	5	2.67	1
Blake Sillery	6	2	8	7	2.00	4
Bill Barnes	5	2	6	4	2.00	3

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Kieren Henderson	40		9	93	10.33	2 / 0
Paul Muston	28		8	59	7.38	2 / 4
Lachlan Holmes	32		6	85	14.17	3 / 25
Bill Barnes	22		6	129	21.50	2 / 24
Liam Peters	26		5	59	11.80	1 / 1
Tim Rosic	25		5	113	22.60	1 / 8
Blake Sillery	34		5	152	30.40	1 / 16
Tom Cornock	27		3	105	35.00	1 / 8
Kyle Zlatar	29		3	111	37.00	1 / 18
Jack Brennan	23		2	57	28.50	1 / 4
Rhys Peters	25		2	61	30.50	1 / 16
Brad Thomas	20		1	49	49.00	1 / 10

Highest Batting Aggregate: Kieren Henderson 202 runs

Highest Batting Average: Kieren Henderson 50.50

Most Wickets: Kieren Henderson 9 wickets

Best Bowling Average: Paul Muston 7.38

Most Catches: Tom Cornock and Lachlan Holmes 6 each

Best Fielder: Liam Peters

Most Improved: Kyle Zlatar

Upper Hills U12 McGrath – Season Report

The 2007-2008 season demonstrated the U12 McGrath boy's strength, and ability to win. Six rounds were won of a rain reduced total of eight games for the season. The side finished fifth, just 0.02 from a finals birth after the quotients were calculated. Whilst this success was well received it was not directly sought at the beginning of the season. With a side in which players are still learning their roles and abilities, set above all was the need to give equal opportunity with bat and ball. Yet at the same time a balance needs to be set with our strengths and the strengths of the opposition. Hopefully this equality and balance was achieved.

For their improved success this year the boys must be thanked. Their effort at training and in the games is what makes it happen. It is clear that the boys in this side have a love and enjoyment for the game that drives them to improve and succeed. This attitude lends itself to a willingness to learn and enhance existing ability. As a result all aspects of the teams play are vastly superior to last year. Of particular note is the side's willingness to improve its fielding. The boys understand that all must field in cricket, and it is my hope that in seasons to come we will be held in high regard for our fielding.

Many thanks go out to the parents and family of all the boys for their enthusiasm and commitment to the side. Every game this season the number of our parents and family was greater than that of the opposition. Such interest and encouragement spurs the boys on. Yet we also have a group of parents with good sound heads and an understanding that cricket is just a game after all.

Special thanks go firstly to Sally Millis, this seasons newly volunteered team manager, who was great with the email, scoring and the many other miscellaneous tasks that a coach doesn't worry about. Thanks also to Chris Mitrovich for putting the scores in via the web after every round and doing it very well. And to all the other parents that helped out with scoring, umpiring and setting up boundaries, you know who you are.

The future is bright for the team and the players within it. Coaching a side full of such well mannered and enthusiastic cricketers is a pleasure, and I look forward to next season and the success that awaits us.

Derek Bridgman - Coach

Player Profiles

Maxwell Ceccato

For Max this season was marked by vast improvement. Max's fielding skills showed particular improvement through application at training. With the bat Max was involved in some long standing partnerships this year, and made some good individual scores as well. He has also shown a desire to become a solid top order batsman, which is a handy player to have in any team. With the ball max has developed a new found accuracy.

Brodie De Kauwe

Another special season for a player that holds much ability. Brodie's results accurately reflect his application and desire to succeed. Has a certain poise and understanding of batsmanship that is rare in such a young player. He continues to mould and refine already well formed techniques with bat and ball. Brodie's knowledge of the game is growing and will serve the side well in years to come.

Rohan Drummond

Rohan has stepped up this year to become a leading top order batsman. Excellent results and skillful innings for Rowan resulted from a desire to succeed for his team. Rowan also did very well as wicket keeper when required, showing skill and an eagerness to learn. Rowan's bowling is also a strength for the side and is an underexploited asset.

Saahil Ebrahimi

Another player with great all-round ability. Saahil is the spearhead of our bowling attack and produced many fine spells of aggressive bowling this season. Swing, speed and accuracy are a handful for batsmen at any age or level, and Saahil has each in abundance. Saahil also has natural ability with the bat, and performs well when given the opportunity.

Adam Fender

Adam is a player of considerable talent and natural ability. A strong desire to succeed and improve continues to drive Adams development as a cricketer. Adam made some good scores this year with a batting technique in a transition state, from runaway power to skilled and deliberate shot-making. As wicket keeper and in the field Adam takes difficult catches with ease. He is a good talker in the field that readily encourages his team mates.

Douglas King

Doug has improved much this year in his coordination and accuracy with the ball. In the field he continues to throw himself around (much to his pleasure), making fantastic saves in his efforts to cut down the runs. Doug has also improved with the bat, and was involved in some useful middle order partnerships. His understanding of cricket and enthusiasm continues to grow as he enjoys more and more the company of his team mates.

James Miliss

Another player in a state of transition with his batting technique. James continues to work towards channeling his obvious hitting power with skilled shot selection. James bowls skillfully with in swing and fin seam position, and can place the ball accurately. In the field James has good hands, catching well in the game and at training.

Cameron Mitrovich

Cameron's conscious efforts to improve his batting technique are clearly expressed by a technique that is pleasing to watch. Cameron is developing a solid and powerful style, but unfortunately this year results did not reflect these improvements. Yet with patience and sustained effort results are sure to come. With the ball Cameron was perhaps the most underutilized of all. He bowls with pace and accuracy, thus is a valuable allrounder. Cameron works hard at his catching and ground fielding, both in the game and at training.

Aaron Muston

New to the side this year Aaron has proved to be a valuable and worthy addition to the side. His consistent, accurate and skillful out-swing bowling has captured many wickets. Aaron's batting technique has improved much this year, through a keenness to learn and consistent efforts at training. Aaron is improving as a fieldsman and works hard on his catching at training.

Jordan Oxenham

Jordie never stops trying to improve as a cricketer. One of the key areas of improvement has been his running between the wickets, albeit a little enthusiastic at times. Jordan applies himself fully at training, especially in fielding drills. Adjustments to his bowling technique have resulted in moments of inaccuracy, which should be resolved in time. His batting, whilst not a strength, continues to show small areas of improvement. Jordan is also a good talker in the field.

Luke Sproats

Luke's natural athletic ability translates into cricketing talent. Luke made some very good scores this year in the middle to lower order, with some ruthless hitting. For Luke to develop fully into the batsman that his ability indicates, he needs to build a solid platform of defence upon which skilled shots may be added. Swift and smooth in the field, Luke cuts down many runs and throws the ball with accuracy. His bowling is handy and continues to improve.

Daniel Stowe

Stowie is another player whose running between the wickets has improved substantially this year. Daniel is a fine allrounder and offers much to the side with both bat and ball. His batting technique continues to develop and express a natural talent. Daniel made some valuable scores in important partnerships this year, and shows a sense of maturity when needed. His left arm bowling is handy and often results in wickets. Stowie fields consistently well and is a good talker.

Brendan Vaz

Improvements in Brendan's batting have been vast this year, in terms of technique and in-game performance. Brendan is another player that has made a conscious effort to improve his skills. In his bowling he continues to offer a good attacking option with accurate in swing. Brendan is excellent in the field, cutting many runs off, talking-it-up and throwing with strength and accuracy.

Upper Hills Cricket Club

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Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Brodie De Kauwe	8	5	305	53	101.67	4
Luke Sproats	11	4	129	51	18.43	2
Rohan Drummond	8	0	119	59	14.88	1
Saahil Ebrahimi	8	1	80	22	11.43	1
Adam Fender	12	3	80	17	8.89	4
Daniel Stowe	10	1	59	31	6.56	4
Brendan Vaz	8	2	57	16	9.50	2
Cameron Mitrovich	12	1	52	18	4.73	1
James Milliss	10	2	44	18	5.50	4
Max Ceccato	10	2	43	20	5.38	0
Aaron Muston	7	2	25	13	5.00	1
Jordan Oxenham	8	1	12	7	1.71	1
Douglas King	6	1	10	6	2.00	2

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Brodie De Kauwe	39.0	17	17	63	3.71	5/7
Saahil Ebrahimi	44.0	21	15	74	4.93	4/3
Daniel Stowe	31.0	9	12	87	7.25	4/3
Brendan Vaz	23.0	6	8	40	5.00	4/2
Aaron Muston	32.0	11	5	69	13.8	2/8
Cameron Mitrovich	26.0	10	4	47	11.75	2/3
Adam Fender	12.0	3	2	36	18.0	1/2
Max Ceccato	12.0	0	2	48	24.0	2/10
James Milliss	23.0	8	2	70	35.0	1/3
Rohan Drummond	8.0	2	1	16	16.0	1/4
Jordan Oxenham	16.0	1	1	66	66.0	1/9
Douglas King	20.0	4	1	81	81.0	1/7
Luke Sproats	18.0	4	0	54		0/2

Highest Batting Aggregate: Brodie De Kauwe - 305
 Highest Batting Average: Brodie De Kauwe - 101.67
 Most Wickets: Brodie De Kauwe - 17
 Best Bowling Average: Brodie De Kauwe - 3.71
 Most Catches : Brodie, Adam, James and Daniel 4 each
 Best Fielder: Brendan Vaz
 Most Improved : Max Ceccato

Under 13's Team Report 2007/2008 Season

Many thanks to the team for an enjoyable season in some difficult circumstances. We missed our regular coach, Craig Baglin, due to illness this season. Every parent pitched in to help out, week by week. It is great to see such commitment from the parents which ultimately is displayed in the talent and spirit of the team.

It was most noticeable this year to see the boys mature into more talented cricketers. As many of us have been in the team for several years it is great to see the skills develop as the boys grow into better batsmen, bowlers and fielders. A special thanks to Brian Edmonds for spending most of his time umpiring, Ross Howlett for his diligent scoring, Dave Stringer for additional support at coaching, and Wendy Irwin, our resident chef, for the best morning teas out (competition for Stringer's "Bagel Bakery" at Winston Hills!). There is a huge commitment by all parents in the team and this comes back to you in your boys' commitment to their cricket.

Despite a difficult season, missing our illustrious leader, Craig, coupled with poor weather upsetting the draw, week by week, the boys should be complemented on a good effort this season, enjoying their matches whilst developing their talents. How did we go? We ended in 5th position. Not our normal style, however, the boys have learned the consequences of assumptions and resting on their laurels! A good lesson at any age.

Greg Sutton
Substitute Coach

Player Profiles

Andrew Angioni

Andrew is a good middle order player that is handy in the slips position. As a reluctant opener, he can find great opportunities for that big slog as he surprises the opposition with those 4's and 6's that he just loves.

Mathew Baglin

Team thanks Mathew for the catches he took this season- a great effort in the field. He gives it 100% at all times and the team are grateful.

Harrison Brown

Harrison produced great results this year both as a fielder and as a batsman. His bowling technique has greatly improved. His strength and speed behind the ball make him a lethal bowler to the opposition. Determination and fitness has developed Harrison into a fine cricketer.

Curtis Carter-Sutton

Off to a late start with a broken arm, Curtis had less opportunity this season to strut his stuff. In the games he was able to play he achieved solid scores both as a batsman, a bowler and fielder. He took some clever catches in difficult and critically moments for which the team is grateful.

Tom Edmonds

Tom is a natural captain and he has a good grasp of the game and understands what need to be done and when. Tom top score with 245 runs with a 106 not out and put in an overall solid performance.

Josh Dipple

Josh is hungry for runs on the pitch and is eager to take risks that usually pay off. Josh gives his all in the field as well, hungry for catches and run outs. This was one of his best bowling seasons.

Mitchell Howlett

Mitchell is a consistent bowler and gains results taking wickets with his medium pace. Mitch is a good team player and encourages his team mates at all times. He is a good athlete with a strong throw when needed.

Sean Irwin

Come in spinner! His spin bowling can make the match a win for the team. As a batsman Sean is a handy weapon for the team, blocking when we need to protect wickets. A valued team member.

Tyler Morpeth

This is the first year Tyler has played at club cricket and might I say- we want him back next season. An extremely fit and agile athlete, Tyler is where you need him in the field. His accurate medium paced bowling, demonstrates a good eye and accurate arm whilst taking some clever catches.

Alex Pagano

Alex is a powerful batsman and is a good force for any opposing bowler sending many balls to the boundary with 4's and 6's at times. As a bowler he excelled this season taking the most wickets this season. A valued member of the team.

Nic Staracek

This is the first year in this team for Nic. He took some good catches over the season. He developed solid skills throughout the season. With more experience, Nick is going to be a great bowler and fielder for the team.

Josh Stringer

Josh has once again worked hard to improve his cricket skills all season. He takes his cricket very seriously. The dedication has proven to have paid off this season. He holds his own in the crease for many overs, gaining psychological advantage over the opposition- they cannot crack his attention and talent. In the field, Josh gives it all- a valued member of the team with consistent and dedicated effort.

Nick Summerhayes

Nick is a dangerous batsman, who can slog the ball. An all rounder, Nick is also our opening bowler for most games with good paced out swinger- a quicky taking early wickets. He manages to lead the team up front, setting the team up well from the start.

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Under 13

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Thomas Edmonds	11	2	245	106	27.22	5
Alex Pagano	10	2	125	34	15.63	4
Andrew Angioni	8	2	74	47	12.33	2
Josh Dipple	9	3	65	37	10.83	3
Mathew Baglin	12	2	56	14	5.60	8
Curtis Carter-Sutton	4	1	42	25	14.00	3
Harrison Brown	7	1	42	17	7.00	2
Nick Summerhayes	10	1	35	12	3.89	6
Josh Stringer	8	1	32	15	4.57	1
Mitchell Howlett	5	0	19	12	3.80	0
Sean Irwin	9	1	12	9	3.00	0
Tyler Morpeth	6	0	11	4	1.83	3
Nic Staracek	4	0	3	3	0.75	6

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Alex Pagano	55	7	15	121	8.07	3/5
Sean Irwin	46	5	14	115	8.21	3/11
Thomas Edmonds	29	2	12	72	6.00	5/15
Nick Summerhayes	57	13	10	99	9.90	3/10
Tyler Morpeth	27	5	9	62	6.89	3/4
Andrew Angioni	28	5	9	65	7.22	2/1
Josh Stringer	33	4	7	87	12.4	2/4
Mathew Baglin	24	3	5	50	10.0	2/9
Harrison Brown	30	4	5	70	14.0	2/5
Nic Staracek	18	1	4	57	14.2	1/5
Josh Dipple	34	6	4	59	14.7	2/7
Mitchell Howlett	18	1	2	51	25.5	2/4
Curtis Carter-Sutton	17	5	1	37	37.0	1/4

Highest Batting Aggregate: Thomas Edmonds (106)
 Highest Batting Average: Thomas Edmonds (27.2)
 Most Wickets: Alex Pagano (15)
 Best Bowling Average: Thomas Edmonds (6.0)
 Most Catches : Mathew Baglin (8)
 Best Fielder: Harrison Brown
 Most Improved : Sean Irwin

2007-08 Season Report – Upper Hills Under 15

A very good performance from the team this season making it all the way into the grand final. In the competition rounds we had 5 wins, 1 bye, 2 losses and 2 drawn games due to the weather. We started the season well with 3 wins on the trot before the wet weather stopped our momentum. At the end of the competition round, the team ended on 38 points after 10 games and secured 3rd place on the competition table.

We played Normanhurst in the semi-final and restricted them to 144 runs. After a delayed start, we reached their score well within the reduced overs. The excitement of the grand final was too much and we were unable to beat West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Blue who proved a most formidable grand final opponent.

We would really like to say a few thank-yous.

To the boys, well done on your efforts during the cricket season. It was most rewarding to see the team reach the grand final.

To all of the parents, thank you for all the support that you provided to the team through being at the games. The parents of this team really get on well together.

Thanks also to our band of 'social' mums who organise lunches, nights out and so on. This all helps to build that positive vibe.

Special thanks to Lesley Oakes for scoring most weeks, and to John Fatkin who umpired each week. Their efforts are appreciated by those who don't have to score or umpire.

Anthony Eurell
Coach

Paul Copperfield
Manager

Alex Bennett: Alex contributed well to the success of the team especially with his bowling. With his best bowling figures of 4-12, Alex topped the team bowling average with figures of 10.50.

Scott Copperfield: Scott is a good all round cricketer who continues to develop with each season. He contributed well with his bowling and fielding taking 11 wickets and 9 catches. Scott was also captain of the team.

Lachlan Eurell: Lachlan again took on the wicket keeping duties for most of the year picking up 6 catches, 1 stumping and 1 run out. Lachlan took on the role of opening batsman for the semis and the finals and provided solid starts in both these games.

Michael Fatkin: Michael again proved his worth to the team as a good all rounder. Taking 10 wickets at an average 16.9, his best bowling was 3-3. Michael also contributed well with the bat with good scores at critical times.

Mark Girling: The most enthusiastic fielder you'll ever want in your team. Chases every ball to cut off the boundaries. Always keep you on the end of your seat when running between the wickets. With a tally of 6 catches ended up equal second for the most catches.

Tom Herd: Tom assisted in the teams bowling attack taking 2 wickets at an average of 11 runs and his best bowling was 1-4. He continues to improve with each season. He also stubbornly defended his wicket to score 11 not out in one game.

Brendan Hyam: Brendan is a great team player, always encouraging, always motivating others. He always contributes well on and off the field and enthusiastically accepts any duties asked of him on the cricket field.

Jono Leonard: This was Jono's first season with the team and immediately had a positive impact on the team. Jono performed well with both bat and ball with 13 wickets (at an average of 11 runs) and 203 runs (41 run in the grand final). Good all round player.

Daniel Lunn: Daniel continues to show great potential with his bowling performances. His best bowling performance came as a result of an inspired spell of bowling in which he took 4 wickets for 11 runs.

Tim Matthews: Tim had a fantastic season with the bat with outstanding performances throughout the innings. His fantastic batting performances saw him amass a total of 314 runs at an average of 62, with amazing 5 not outs. He also captured 9 wickets.

Jacob O'Grady: Our top bowler in terms of wickets taken. Jacob captured a total of 18 wickets. With a bowling performance of 4 wickets for 5 runs in one match, Jacob always contributed well.

Ben Oakes: Ben is a good team player and also encourages others in the team. Ben contributed well with the bat scoring a total of 192.

Aaron Wijesinghe: Aaron is just a pleasure to coach and manage. Whether it's training, batting, bowling or fielding, Aaron always give 100%. Aaron scored 48 runs and also had some good spells of bowling.

Upper Hills Cricket Club

2007/2008 Season

Under 15

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Tim Matthews	10	5	314	79*	62.80	1
Jono Leonard	9	0	203	41	22.56	4
Ben Oakes	9	1	192	42	24	0
Michael Fatkin	9	2	188	44	26.86	4
Scott Copperfield	10	2	168	62*	21	9
Lachlan Eurell	7	2	69	21*	13.80	6
Alex Bennett	7	1	58	38	9.67	1
Brendan Hyam	7	3	56	22*	14	1
Mark Girling	7	2	48	13	9.60	6
Aaron Wijesinghe	7	2	48	14*	9.60	3
Daniel Lunn	6	2	41	25*	10.25	1
Jacob O'Grady	9	3	33	112	33	5
Tom Herd	3	1	15	11*	7.5	0

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Jacob O'Grady	77		18	209	11.61	4-5
Jono Leonard	52		13	143	11.00	4-9
Scott Copperfield	70		11	159	14.45	2-6
Michael Fatkin	60		10	169	16.90	3-3
Tim Matthews	48		9	141	15.66	3-18
Alex Bennett	21		6	63	10.5	4-12
Mark Girling	29		4	114	28.50	1-2
Daniel Lunn	29		4	118	29.50	4-11
Brendan Hyam	17		3	60	20.00	1-11
Ben Oakes	9		2	54	27	1-1
Tom Herd	8		2	23	11.50	1-4
Aaron Wijesinghe	7		1	28	18	1-5
Lachlan Eurell	-	-	-	-	-	-

Highest Batting Aggregate: Tim Matthews (314)
 Highest Batting Average: Tim Matthews (62.80)
 Most Wickets: Jacob O'Grady (18)
 Best Bowling Average: Alex Bennett (10.50)
 Most Catches : Scott Copperfield (9)
 Best Fielder: Mark Girling
 Most Improved : Lachlan Eurell
 Most Valued Team Member: Aaron Wijesinghe

Season Report – Upper Hills Under 16

Having been premiers for the past 3 seasons we began the 2007/08 season with big expectations again but also with the knowledge that all opposition teams had increased in strength and we would once again need to play very well as a team to match our past achievements. This was last season that these boys would play together in morning cricket having spent the last 5 or so years in the same very successful side. We began the season with a good win however in round 2 we suffered a crushing defeat to WPHC White. This season there were no easy games with all the teams capable of beating each other. After round 2 the boys quickly got back into their stride and we went through the remainder of the season undefeated. Once again this season the boys performed extremely well when fielding. A very skilled and accurate bowling side combined with very good fielding and catching resulted in building pressure that opposition batting sides could not cope with. This year as a team we concentrated hard on our batting – almost always batting first when we won the toss and we set ourselves a target of always batting our full 60 overs and losing no more than 6 wickets – so we expected our top order to perform and bat for long periods of time and build an innings. This was largely very successful and during the year we amassed some big scores with three centuries and three half centuries being scored. After finishing the normal season as minor premiers we faced the strong Pennant Hills side in our semi – final at Glenhaven Oval. Batting first again we struggled a little with a very slow outfield and some very accurate spin bowling limiting us to a score of 111. Nathan Brewer once again batted extremely well scoring 38 very patient runs as the backbone to our batting effort. So we once again had to bowl and field very well to defend our modest score. The boys once again performed exceptionally and rolled Pennant Hills for only 40 and so we advanced again into the grand final – our 5th consecutive year in the final.

We faced WPHC White in the final – a side we have played many times and respect – this side has a number of very good representative players and almost always our matches are very close – and this one was no exception!

For some reason the under 16 final is played on a turf wicket – this was something new for most of the boys and after a week or wet weather the wicket was a little soft and the bounce variable. We chose to bat first again (after considerable thought) and after an hour of play we regretted that decision — a very good spell of bowling combined with the sticky wicket had us stumbling to 7 for 27 and it appeared our season was over. However a late rally from the lower order resulted in us scrambling to a score of 64. A little less than what we would have liked however we know what we can achieve in the field (in the semi final we rolled Pennant Hills for 40!) and with skill and patience maybe we can strangle them?

We started with a quick wicket and then waited a while for the next and then two good batsman got a partnership going for them and when they got to 45 with still only two wickets down they looked to be coasting to our modest score. But we got the break through and then immediately they lost another – maybe we had another chance? – the boys lifted in the field and some magnificent bowling and catching had them reeling – they lost wicket after wicket and soon they were 8 down and needing 7 runs to win – they lost another wicket and with a couple of wild swings they were on 63. We slowed things down nicely and our captain Josh Mann tossed up one of his beautifully

flighted leggies. The batsman was in two minds – do I block it? – do I hit it? – He did neither and the ball spun just enough to clip the top of off stump!! And so such an unlikely victory was for real - the boys could not believe it but the determination and joy on their faces will never be forgotten by those that experienced it.

This was just such a great way for this team to finish – Premiers / Grand Final winners for 4 consecutive years – a first for the Kenthurst / Upper Hills Club.

This team has been a delight to be involved with – great boys, very good cricketers and a great bunch of parents who supported their boys in the correct fashion.

Once again special thanks to Michael Lord for his assistance throughout the last 5 or so years.

Player Profiles

Adam Brcic – Adam had another outstanding season – our no 1 strike bowler with great accuracy and increasing speed Adam has been the best performing fast bowler in our competition for the last 4 years. A great team player Adam was an integral part of our unit, a player all the boys respected and admired and when required we would go to Adam to produce something special for the team. Adam will no doubt play at a very high level - we will all be keeping a watch on Adams development and wish him every success in his cricketing career.

Nathan Brewer – Nathan had an exceptional year in all areas of the game. Clearly our player of the season Nathan added a lot to our top order this season. A batsman with a good technique, Nathans greatest attribute is his concentration and patience. On many occasions this season Nathan was the backbone of our innings batting for many overs and building a long innings with the highlight being his first century (108no) against Normanhurst. A very accurate left arm medium pace bowler Nathan was moving the ball in the air and off the wicket all season and troubled every batsman who faced him. Nathan once again performed exceptionally well in both the semi and final.

Mark Daniel – Mark had a very good season for us taking some critical wickets and scoring some vital runs for us in the grand final. A lively bowler Mark often surprises batsman with his pace and the odd accurate bouncer. One of our season highlights was the hat trick that Mark captured against WPHC White finishing with figures of 4/8. In addition to the vital 14 runs Mark scored in the final he was also responsible for capturing the two vital wickets that began our amazing comeback and taking two important catches.

Simon Hoy – We were fortunate that Simon joined us this season for another year of under 16s – Simon added a great deal to our side – a confident and strong batsman Simon scored 3 half centuries finishing the season with 288 runs at 41.14. Simon is also a very useful medium pace bowler producing two very good spells for us in the semi and final.

Alex Lord – Alex continued to be an important part of our bowling line-up – an accurate off spinner who had limited opportunity this season due in most to the fact that we often dismissed sides quickly with our quick bowlers doing a lot of the damage. Alex has good variation in flight and will develop his bowling will develop further on turf wickets where he will extract more spin.

Ben McKenzie – Whilst Ben didn't capture so many wickets this season his bowling was impacted by the fact we had a very wet season and often he was asked to bowl with a wet ball, which he found difficult. On a dry day Ben can deliver some very good swing bowling – Ben is another that will benefit from moving to turf wickets and playing in the afternoon. Ben improved his fielding and catching and in one game took 3 very good catches at deep mid – on.

Josh Mann – Josh had a great season and once again did an outstanding job leading the team throughout the season. Josh had his best batting year as he put together a mixture of patience and stroke making to score 225 runs with the obvious highlight being his great century (101) against CHRSL Green. Josh was an integral part of our bowling - an extremely accurate and talented leg-spin bowler Josh bowled 54 overs, 20 of which were maidens and captured 14 wickets including the last and most important one of the season ! – A great fieldsman in any position Josh is a particularly good slip catcher. Josh has an exciting future in the game.

Lachlan Potts – Whilst Lachlan had a lean season with the bat he had one good innings of 30 and was involved in a number of good partnerships during the season. Lachie often came to the crease with a small number of overs remaining and lost his wicket pushing along the team score. Lachie is a very good fieldsman with a safe pair of hands and a very long and accurate throw that was responsible for two great run – outs during the season.

Jordan Robertson – Jordan had a mixed season with the bat – a key batsman in our team Jordan has a very good technique and this combined with patience and concentration he is capable of dominating most bowling attacks. Jordan finished the season with 242 runs at a respectable average of 26.89 with the highlight being his century (106no) against Normanhurst. Jordan is also a useful off spin bowler and a good fieldsman in any position with a safe pair of hands taking two vital catches in the final.

Joel Sayer – Joel is a very important cog in this great team – our first choice wicketkeeper Joel is also a very good bowler however he received limited opportunity to show this due to our success. As a wicketkeeper Joel was once again outstanding for us – reliable and tidy and combining with all our bowlers to apply pressure that batsman eventually succumbed to. Joel is also a very solid batsman who got limited opportunities this season however the 9 runs he scored in the final were very useful!

Josh Smith – This was Josh's first season with this team. Josh fitted in extremely well proving himself to be a capable batsman who also possessed a great deal of power. After a lean season with the bat Josh played a critical role for us in the final – whilst he only scored 5 runs he was a partner in all of the final 37 runs we scored batting with great determination and patience. Josh is also a good reliable and sound fieldsman with a safe pair of hands.

Luke Stowe – Luke had a mixed season with the bat, however he had two good innings over 30. A good striker of the ball Lukes impatience often led to his downfall however he is learning the need to play himself in, concentrate hard and build an innings. Luke has a safe pair of hands as our regular gully fieldsman.

Upper Hills Cricket Club

2007/2008 Season

Under 16

Batting

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	H/S	Avg	Catches
Simon Hoy	8	1	288	89	41.14	4/1
Jordan Robertson	10	1	242	106	26.89	6
Josh Mann	12	2	225	101	22.50	4
Nathan Brewer	9	4	215	108	43	6
Luke Stowe	9	0	83	33	9.22	2
Joel Sayer	7	0	79	31	11.29	7/4
Lachlan Potts	8	1	73	30	10.43	2
Adam Brcic	7	4	57	17	19	6
Josh Smith	6	1	35	7	7	1
Mark Daniel	4	2	17	14	8.5	4
Alex Lord	4	2	6	3	3	3
Ben McKenzie	1	0	1	1	1	4

Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Avg	Best Bowling
Nathan Brewer	89	27	22	204	9.3	5/9
Adam Brcic	99	31	17	175	10.3	5/8
Josh Mann	64	20	14	118	8.43	3/11
Mark Daniel	48	9	12	141	11.7	4/8
Alex Lord	54	9	7	126	18	2/14
Jordan Robertson	26	4	7	85	12.1	2/14
Joel Sayer	15	1	4	60	15	3/21
Ben McKenzie	31	5	3	98	32.6	2/8
Simon Hoy	17	4	3	24	8	3/5

Highest Batting Aggregate: Simon Hoy (288)
 Highest Batting Average: Nathan Brewer (43)
 Most Wickets: Nathan Brewer (22)
 Best Bowling Average: Josh Mann (8.43)
 Most Catches: Jordan Robertson, Nathan Brewer, Adam Brcic - 6 each
 Best Fielder: Josh Mann
 Most Improved: Mark Daniel